(e) if so, the measures that are proposed to provide cost effective and efficient parking facility to the residents of Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (c) The New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) and Delhi Development Authority (DDA) have informed that there is no unauthorised parking lot operating in their areas. However, the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) have informed that some cases of unauthorised parking lots have come to their notice. With a view to streamline the parking system, some of these unauthorised sites have already been converted Into paid parking sites besides developing new parking sites.

(d) and (e) The MCD has also informed that it has filed a parking policy in the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi and that a composite parking policy is contemplated by Govt, of NCT of Delhi.

Schemes for development of Infrastructure

2762. SHRI C. PERUMAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme has been launched to improve and develop infrastructure in the cities having a population between five lakhs and fifty lakhs;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (c) In order to provide reform linked central assistance for infrastructure development of all cities/towns in the country, there is a proposal to formulate national Urban Renewal Mission for select cities and urban Infrastructure Development Scheme for Small and Medium Town. Details in this regard have not been finalized.

Encroachments in INA Market

2763. SHRI THANGA TAMIL SELVAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that the INA Market, New Delhi has become congested due to encroachments;

(b) if so, the action proposed to be taken to remove encroachments in the said market;

(c) whether Government propose to construct an ultra modern double-storeyed market on the land adjoining Super Bazar and behind it so that shopkeepers of INA Market could be shifted in it and separate sites be fixed for general purchase, restaurants, fruits, vegetable and non-vegetable items; and

(d) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) In order to address the problems pertaining to the INA Market including the encroachment in and around the market, Delhi Development Authority has been entrusted with the task of preparing a detailed project for re-development of the market. The proposal is at a preliminary stage and no time frame can be fixed at present.

Development of small cities in NER

2764. SHRI DWIJENDRANATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the financial assistance given by Government for development of various small cities in the North Eastern Region during the last three years; and

(b) the project-wise details thereof, alongwith the projects started/ completed by the State Government, so far?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) Under the centrally Sponsored Scheme of Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns (IDSMT), Central assistance of Rs. 1663.16 lakh was released for 66 towns/cities in the North Eastern States during the last three years. State-wise and town-wise details of approved project cost, Central assistance released and expenditure reported is given in Statement I (See below).

Under the Centrally Sponsored Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme (AUWSP), Central assistance of Rs. 3677.84 lakh was released during the last three years. A Statement showing details of Central